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In re Patent Application of:  
Jean-Christophe Ehrstrom et al

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For: MANUFACTURING METHOD FOR  
FRICTION WELDED ALUMINUM ALLOY  
PARTS

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Examiner: Aboagye, Michael

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**  
**(37 C.F.R. SECTION 1.111)**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated July 12, 2006, rejecting claims 1-14, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.